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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1A is an ink jet printing using a product according to the invention. Figure 1B is an ink jet printing using a product formed using the prior art. Figure 2 is a graph of thickness against weight for treated and non-treated calcium carbonate.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Please replace the paragraph at page 29, lines 16-19 as follows:

The results of thickness measurements in the three tests correspond to (1) the plastic base (2) the base coated with the above non-treated slurry of calcium carbonate and (3) the

base coated with the above treated slurry of calcium carbonate. These results are shown in the following Table and ~~Graph~~: Figure 2.

Please replace the paragraph at page 30, lines 17-18 as follows:

The same type of calculation for different weights allows us to produce ~~the following graph of~~ Figure 2, which shows thickness in micrometers against weight in  $\text{g/m}^2$ .

Please replace the paragraph at page 30, lines 21-23 as follows:

Interpretation of ~~the above graph~~ Figure 2 shows that in the control (i.e. non-treated) test, the gradient of the coating thickness is  $0.5 \mu\text{m.g}^{-1}.\text{m}^{-2}$  whereas in the test of the invention the gradient of coating is  $3.5 \mu\text{m.g}^{-1}.\text{m}^{-2}$ .

Please replace the paragraph at page 49, lines 20-24 as follows:

If ink jet printing is performed comparing a product from the prior art (Figure 1B) with this test according to the invention (Figure 1A) on an EPSON™ Stylus COLOR 500™ ink jet printer, we see that printing according to the invention is much sharper.

~~The Figures mentioned above are appended hereto.~~